

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE WESTON TOWN CHARTER

The following amendments shall be made to the Charter. (new language, where applicable, is in bold letters).

1. Section 6.3(b) shall be amended to read as follows:

“Except as otherwise provided by law, a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of each elected Board or Commission shall be elected each year by the membership of that Board or Commission during the month of January; provided, however, that **the Board of Education may elect its Chairman and Vice-Chairman not later than January 1.** At no time shall any person be eligible to be elected as Chairman **of an elected Board or Commission** who has served in that office for eight or more successive years. This Section 6.3(b) shall not apply to the Board of Selectmen.”

2. Section 8.3(a) shall be amended to delete the words “any Officer appointed pursuant to Section 8.2 and of” immediately prior to the words “any member of an appointed Board or Commission.....” towards the end thereof.

3. Section 8.3(b) shall be amended to read as follows:

“Except as otherwise provided by law, a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of each appointed Board or Commission shall be elected each year by the membership of that Board or Commission during the month of January; provided, however, that at no time shall any person be eligible to be elected as Chairman who has served in that office for eight or more successive years, **and provided further that any newly constituted appointed Board or Commission shall elect a Chairman and Vice-Chairman by its second meeting.**”

4. Section 9.5(c) shall be amended to delete the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (v), to add a new subparagraph (vi), as set forth below, and renumber former subparagraph (vi) as (vii):

State that if fewer than two percent of Resident Electors are present at the time that the Annual Town Budget Meeting is called to order, the proposed appropriations listed in Section 9.5 (c)(i) shall be deemed approved by the Annual Town Budget Meeting; and

5. Section 9.5(d)(ii) shall be amended to read as follows:

“if, and only if, at least two percent of **Resident Electors (as determined at the close of business on the last business day prior to the Annual**

Town Budget Meeting) are present at the **time that the** Annual Town Meeting **is called to order**, any individual appropriation that is listed on the Notice and Call of the Meeting may be reduced to an amount less than that recommended by the Board of Finance by a vote of a majority of those Qualified Voters present and voting. Any motion to reduce the sum of appropriations in the proposed Annual Town Budget must specify the individual line item to be reduced and the amount of the proposed reduction;”

6. Section 9.5(d) is amended to delete the word “and” at the end of subparagraph (ii), to add a new subparagraph (iii), as set forth below, and renumber former subparagraph (iii) as (iv):

If fewer than two percent of Resident Electors, as determined under Section 9.5(d)(ii), are present at the time the Annual Town Budget Meeting is called to order, the proposed appropriations shall be deemed approved by the Annual Town Budget Meeting; and

The amendments shall become effective on November 5, 2013.